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The Honorable Orrin Hatch Chairman, Committee on Finance United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Ron Wyden Ranking Member, Committee on Finance United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Lamar Alexander Chairman, Committee on Health, Education, Labor, & Pensions United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Patty Murray Ranking Member, Committee on Health, Education, Labor, & Pensions United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairmen Hatch and Alexander, Ranking Members Wyden and Murray:

I write today in support of President-elect Trump's nomination for Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Dr. Tom Price.

Secretary-designee Price is uniquely positioned to work with Wisconsin and other states to reform healthcare and help curb years of federal overreach. In addition to his leadership roles in congress, he spent more than 20 years caring for patients in Georgia as an orthopaedic surgeon and medical professional. If confirmed, Dr. Price will bring years of medical knowledge and federal lawmaking experience to the department.

In Wisconsin, we share Dr. Price's commitment to quality healthcare as we rank one of the best states in the nation for health insurance coverage and our reforms allowed us to cover everyone living in poverty under Medicaid. His decades of medical knowledge and firsthand experience as a licensed physician and orthopaedic surgeon, combined with his years as a lawmaker make him the perfect candidate to begin tackling critical reforms to empower the states.

Again, I strongly support the confirmation of Dr. Price as the next U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary. I look forward to working with him in this new role.

Sincerely,

Scott Walker

Governor of Wisconsin